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SUMMER READING

Many people who take unusual care in eating during the summer months seem to forget that some kind of summer diet in reading is necessary if the mind is to be kept in a normal condition.

The general opinion seems to be that light fiction, which most people interpret as being the superficial, melodramatic love making of the seaside and mountain top magazine style, is the thing for the heat-suffering person to live with in his leisure moments.

To live on such stuff altogether mentally is as bad as to continually suck painted water through straws as a means of satisfying hunger and thirst. Something solid has to be had once in a while. Just because it is summer the mind of a man does not cease to crave nourishment; even though it may not register for heavy philosophy as in cooler hours.

There are many kinds of essays and popular philosophies that will not tax a man's brain too much and at the same time will keep him in the habit of thinking a little. Of course stories of love and other equally light pastimes are interesting and when well written deserve to be read. A person should consult his own tastes and try to make a proper proportion between his winter and summer reading.

If a man has never read anything but "stuff" his summer reading will naturally be pretty light. If he, however, has been in the habit of reading serious works of serious men he will want something with a little thought at least in it for his summer reading.

Don't stop thinking just because it is summer, for you might want to think before winter comes and find it hard to start your mental machinery in a hurry.

TEXAS IN COMPARISON

As the state of Texas is in the limelight of American military operations, some information on her size may be of interest.

Every man, woman and child counted in the last census of the whole world, could be given a city lot measuring 50 by 90 feet in the state of Texas, and ground enough will be left for a complete system of city streets.

All of England with Germany, including Alsace-Lorraine, can be put down in Texas, and the territory left over would be enough for laying out five and one-half counties the size of Boone County.

All of England and France can be put down in Texas, and the left-over territory will lay out almost six and one-half counties the size of Boone County.

Texas has an area of 262,398 square miles; or 167,934,720 acres; or 7,315,235,403,200 square feet.

Soldiers from other states in the Union are advised against even suggesting that the state of Texas be subdivided, and one or more new states be erected. For Texans are proud of the size of the state and will resent any such proposition.

The New Books

The Outlaw.

A certain young man, a big, bronzed giant, decides that life as he finds it is not satisfactory, and taking the bit in his teeth starts to go to the bad. The ingenuity and thoroughness of his badness wins him a sinister fame even among the reckless cow-punchers with whom he consorts. But there comes into his world a girl from the East, on her first visit to the West, a very dainty, well-bred, well-tailored girl with a will of her own. The West, and that remarkable product of the West—the daredevil cowboy—are as novel to her as if she had stepped into a new world; and the girl is an inexplicable but maddeningly attractive creature to him. There are ructions—stampedes, kicks, buckings—on the part of the cowboy, but in the end the real manliness of his nature comes to the front and he becomes a man whom any girl would be proud to win. Of course he is won, decisively and happily.

"The Outlaw" is a story of the real west by Jackson Gregory, who has the advantage of being a born and bred Westerner, with a knack for telling stories about the wide, sunlit land of the cattle ranges.

(Dodd, Mead & Co., New York; \$1.00 net.)

Sayings of the Week

England still rules the waves but the waves are on top of the ocean.—Wheeler News.

There has been so much conspicuous talk about chickens that even the United States census department has been obliged to explain that its figures refer to the feathered variety.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Bread and school books would be more effective ammunition in Mexico than powder and lead.—Carthage Evening Post.

How to be cool though hot! Think of Uncle Sam's boys in Mexico.—Joplin News Herald.

Germany no doubt wishes now that she had whipped Russia first.

"The Silent Voice" is a new movie film. Don't know to whom the silent voice belongs, but we'll bet it's a woman. Her'n isn't that kind.—Louisiana Press-Journal.

The red heads are going to hold a convention in Alexandria, Indiana. Ought to be a hot time there.—Macon Chronicle-Herald.

As an engine of warfare the submarine is out of sight.—Springfield Republican.

Candidates and weeds are causing the farmers lots of trouble.—Pemisot Argus.

In spite of what the professor says the sharks just keep on biting.—St. Louis Star.

The people of the United States do not wish a war of conquest with Mexico.—Ellsberry Democrat.

Those who constantly express their horror and who inveigh at what they are pleased to term the "church in politics" may as well recognize the fact that the trend of the church is toward greater activity and interest in public affairs.—Moberly Index.

Leather is becoming so scarce it is thought American people may have to wear wooden shoes. However, leather-lunged oratory will still be plentiful.—Kansas City Journal.

Maybe the heat will modify a little after the great bulk of the Tuesday will be eliminated next Tuesday.—Wichita Beacon.

The sad condition of some families must be due to the operation of borers.—Dallas Evening Journal.

Summer was a trifle late in mobilizing but the warm weather has arrived well-equipped.—Kansas City Star.

The most fortunate man is the rare individual who has no fool friends.—Topeka Capital.

The real way to get a change of climate is to stay at home. Here is a possibility of getting real variety.—St. Louis Republic.

A shoe dealer says women's fancy shoes will sell for a fortune next year. One could easily make a \$25 next year if he were sure that women would be wearing feet next summer.—Oklahoma City Times.

Mexico can at least thank the American Army for several miles of good highways.—St. Louis County Herald.

Those "back to nature" enthusiasts are willing to sacrifice all conveniences in their Adamless Eden. But they must have a chaperon.—Joplin News-Herald.

When a lover does not fulfill a promise we immediately learn of a breach of promise suit, but who ever heard of a political breach of promise suit.—Carrollton Republican Record.

The political pot is somewhat hot, whether the politician so or not.—Huntsville Herald.

The gayly colored figures about the streets are not animated barber poles, but merely the girls wearing the new striped effects.—Springfield Republican.

Body of Jesse White Not Found.
All hope for the recovery of the body of Jesse White, who was drowned at Moberly three weeks ago, has been given up. Expert divers have tried to locate it in the lake, but no traces have been found in the same, have expressed a doubt as to whether the body is really there.

COLUMBIA'S SCHOOLS GET READY TO OPEN

Stephens and Christian Colleges Are Making Extensive Improvements.

M. U. IS OVERHAULED

Plans Are Being Made for a Record Enrollment at All Three Institutions.

The University, Stephens College and Christian College are busily preparing for the reception of the students, old and new, who will come to Columbia next month. The city of Columbia, not to be outdone by the educational institutions, is cleaning up, repairing buildings and streets and putting everything in first-class shape for the influx of students early in September.

Stephens College has already all the students it can accommodate next year. The enrollment closed last night. Every room in the dormitory is filled and the only applications that can be received from this time on will be for applications for places on the waiting list.

Capacity Enrollment at Christian.

Christian College's prospects for the coming year are for a capacity enrollment of 130 boarding students and an increased number of day pupils. Fourteen states and Cuba are represented in the enrollment to date.

The walls of the rooms in Christian College dormitory are being redecorated and the entire college plant will be fresh and in perfect order for the opening of the college year, September 13. Plans are under way to put running water into all the dormitory rooms and to install a natatorium of the most modern type. The movement to secure these improvements was started by an alumna and a patron of the college from Kansas City. Estimates are now being prepared and work will begin on these improvements at an early date.

Both the Columbia junior colleges have had great increase in enrollment during the past few years. In 1912, the first year that President Wood was in charge at Stephens College, the enrollment was fifty-two. Last year the attendance was 157, the maximum

number that could be accommodated. In addition there were 141 special students taking courses at Stephens in music, expression, art, etc.

Improvements at Stephens.

President Wood is making extensive improvements at Stephens College. The kitchen is being re-equipped, new furniture is being installed in the dormitory rooms, the library is being reequipped and re-arranged, sanitary drinking fountains are being put in on all the floors and the parlors and student rooms are being decorated.

The physical education department at Stephens next year for the first time, will offer a course in playground work. A new teacher, Miss Ethel Mae Hill, will take charge of this feature. Miss Hill has had special preparation for this work in Columbia University. Public school music will also be featured at Stephens next year. Miss Lillian J. Wilhelm of Chicago, who was for four years supervisor of school music at Gary, Ind., will take charge of this work.

M. U. Buildings Overhauled.

All the University buildings are being overhauled and put in order and a force is at work repairing old sidewalks and building new ones. When school opens next fall the University will be spick and span.

More than 300 University students have already sent in their registration blanks to the Registrar. Registrations are coming in from students in all sections of the United States and a few have come from foreign countries.

Rooming-houses and dormitories about town are being overhauled and refurnished. Stores are being redecorated and re-arranged to present a more pleasing appearance to the host of students soon to invade the town.

Society Invades Whitney's Ballroom.

By United Press.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 5.—High society en masse invaded the gorgeous new dull blue and old gold ballroom in the Harry and Whitney's summer mansion here today for the housewarming party given by the Whitneys to mark its completion. Aside from the fact that this will be society's first glimpse of the costly addition to the palatial home, the event is of significance because it is the first time the Whitneys have entertained here for several years.

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NEW COURSES NOW AT ROLLA

University Board of Curators Takes Final Action in Buford Case.

The last chapter in the fight of the Board of Curators of the University to prevent the Rolla School of Mines from duplicating courses given in the School of Engineering here was written when the Board at their meeting in St. Louis last night passed a resolution providing for the creation and maintenance of courses in electrical, chemical, civil and mechanical engineering at Rolla.

The decision against the Curators was handed down by the Supreme Court a month ago and two weeks later the Board was denied a re-hearing. The act passed by the assembly last year provided for the establishing of courses leading to the above engineering degrees. The Board thought that its power was supreme in dealing with the University only to have the Supreme Court decide otherwise.

TO PLAY TENNIS IN NEW YORK

McLoughlin, Winner of the Western Championship, to Compete.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Pacific coast

tennis doubles champion, Maurice McLoughlin represented the West among the tennis experts gathered here today for the second annual East-West tennis series at the West Side Tennis Club courts.

The series will last today and tomorrow and there will be five singles and two doubles matches to decide the title. Last year's two series resulted in a win by the West of 5 to 1 on the first and a win by the East of 4 to 2 on the second.

McLoughlin had decided not to come east this year because he said he felt he was not in good form, but his winning of the Pacific coast doubles championship several weeks ago gave him more confidence in himself and he decided to make a try for the East-West premiership.

Law Fraternity Holds Meeting.

The alumni of Phi Delta Phi, a law fraternity, are meeting in Kansas City today. Several University of Missouri men are attending the meeting.

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NOTICE

To Alumnae, Students, Patrons and Friends of Stephens College Columbia, Mo.

This space has been reserved to announce that our dormitories are filled and that our books for the school year 1916-17 have been closed. Applications can only be received for the waiting list, or for the 1917-18 registration. We hope to provide additional dormitories before another year so that it will not again be necessary to refuse admission to students whose applications reach us during August and September.

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Printing Smaller Newspapers in New York.

New York, August 2:—Publishers of daily newspapers in Greater New York at a meeting this afternoon took action which will result in a decrease of the number of pages in the morning, evening and Sunday issues of 121 pages a week.

The reduction of so many pages is a step to relieve the news-print paper situation, which is regarded by the publishers as very serious. Action was also taken to eliminate returns of unsold copies.

